

Nassawadox Grip Site Visit of 17 August 2012

Paul Bashor – Robert Tittle

Arrived at the Plant Nursery site (C1/NASA0018) at 1020 hours local on 17 August 2012, with Robert Tittle. Reinstalled the gauge system but moved it approximately 30ft east of the original location as per Bill Neal's request. He said they might be doing some work in that area.

Leveled gauges, installed new screws in the cans, ran tip tests and sent packet. Also reinstalled the ground rod, and installed bird spikes on the cans. Gauge B had come out of the tipping points, and I readjusted it. Left the site at 1042 hours local.

Arrived on site at Shore Fine Labs (D2/NASA0001) at 1055 hours local, with Robert Tittle. Found gauge B was significantly off level. Both gauges had a lot of bird droppings but neither was completely clogged up. Gauge B tipping assembly had come out of the tipping points and I had to readjust it. We replaced screws in the cans, installed bird spikes, cleaned and leveled the gauges. I also put a padlock on the tub which we had neglected to do the last time. Left the site at 1125 hours local.

Arrived on site at the Floyd Farm (E3/NASA0024) at 1132 hours local With Robert Tittle. Both gauges had a little debris in the cans, but not bad. Gauge B was level, gauge A was slightly off level. Gauge B orifice was approximately half clogged up. Gauge A was 3/4 clogged up with debris. Gauge B had come out of the tipping points and I adjusted it. We cleaned and leveled the gauges. Replaced screws in cans, and installed bird spikes. Left site at 1150 hours local.

Arrived on site at the Campbell Air Strip (E1/NASA0015) at 1303 hours local with Bob Tittle, after eating lunch. Found a little trash in the cans, but no clogging. Gauge B was slightly off level, as was gauge A. Neither gauge had come out of the tipping points. Ran tip tests on both gauges and they were ok. Cleaned and re-leveled the gauges, installed new screws in the cans, and installed bird spikes. Left the site at 1330 hours.

At 1340 hours local, we stopped at TNC HQ to let them know we would be on property. We did a cursory inspection of D4/NASA0014. There was very little trash in the cans, and the TNC people had cut the grass back so we did not do any further maintenance on it.

Arrived on site at the Colonial House site (C5/NASA0011) with Bob Tittle at 1348 hours local. I attempted to cut back the reeds that had grown up around the site, but the machete was so dull it would not cut anything. I decided we would come back with the weed trimmer and a sharpened machete to do the maintenance. Left the site at 1355 hours local.

Arrived on site at Woodland Farm (B4/NASA0004) at 1400 hours local. Both gauges were very dirty with bird droppings. Both gauges were slightly off level. Neither gauge was completely clogged up. The tipping mechanisms on both gauges were ok. We cleaned and leveled the gauges. Installed new screws on the cans, and installed bird spikes. Left site at 1425 hours.